CS/CS 316/365 Deep Learning

Activity 4

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Loss Functions

Activity needs to be handwritten. Submission will be online on canvas only.

• Show that the logistic sigmoid function sig[z] becomes 0 as $z \to -\infty$, is 0.5 when z = 0, and becomes 1 when $z \to \infty$. Sigmoid's equation is given below. Showing doesn't require lengthy proof. Try putting in these values and show that result reaches to where it should be.

$$\operatorname{sig}[z] = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[-z]}$$

• The loss L for binary classification for a single training pair $\{x, y\}$ is:

$$L = -(1 - y) \log \left[1 - \operatorname{sig}[f[\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\phi}]] \right] - y \log \left[\operatorname{sig}[f[\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\phi}]] \right]$$

where sig[z] is given above in first task. Plot this loss as a function of the transformed network output $sig[f[x,\phi]] \in [0, 1]$ when the training label

$$- y = 0$$

$$-y = 1$$

• Consider a multivariate regression problem where we predict ten outputs, so $y \in \mathbb{R}^{10}$, and model each with an independent normal distribution where the means μ_d are predicted by the network, and variances σ^2 are constant. Write an expression for the likelihood $\Pr(y \mid f[x,\phi])$. Show that minimizing the negative log-likelihood of this model is still equivalent to minimizing a sum of squared terms if we don't estimate the variance σ^2 .